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This is a request for filing a divisional patent application under 37 CFR 1.53(b) of prior application, serial no. 09/842,752 filed April 25, 2001, entitled APPARATUS FOR AERATION IN A WATER FILTER SYSTEM, by the inventor Marlin A. FRANK, now pending. We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in association with a new patent application:

By: Marlin A. FRANK

For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR AERATION IN A WATER FILTER SYSTEM

- Patent Cover Page 1 sheet.
- $\boxtimes$  Copy of prior application  $\underline{25}$  sheets; including  $\underline{28}$  claims total,  $\underline{3}$  independent claims.
- $\boxtimes$  <u>5</u> sheets of drawings (formal).
- ☐ Declaration and Power of Attorney.
- An Assignment of the invention to EcoWater Systems, Inc.
- ☑ A preliminary amendment.

	Benefit of the filing date of Application No filed is claimed pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 119.									<del></del>			
	Request Not to Publish and Certification Under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i).												
	A Verified Statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 37 CFR 1.27.												
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